*Camp-shed or T. B. at Parur.*

314, *MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether there is a camp-shed or T. B. at Parur; and

(*b*) if not, whether the Government have any idea of constructing one?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

*Bridges at Murinjapuzha and Poothotta.*

315. *MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether there are bridges for vehicular traffic at Murinjapuzha and Poothotta on the Vaikom—Udayamperoor road; and

(*b*) if not, whether the Government propose to construct bridges in those places?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) The P. W. D. is investigating the matter.

*Interest to be realised by the Forest Department from the defaulters.*

316. *MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether there is any rule regarding the rate of interest to be realised by the Forest Department from the defaulting purchasers of coupes, etc.; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, whether they are aware that the rate of interest realised now by the Department differs in different Forest Divisions?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

*Demand for softwood.*

317. *MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether the demand for softwood is on the increase; and

(*b*) if so, whether any steps have been taken to meet the same?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

*Supply of Bombay Salt.*

318, *MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the Excise Commissioner invited fresh tenders, for the supply of Bombay salt, for a period of two years;

(*b*) whether tender notices were supplied by the Excise Department to all the parties who had put in their tenders at the first invitation for the tenders for the supply of Bombay salt for the year 1109;

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